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For: METHODS FOR USING RESONANCE ENERGY TRANSFER-BASED
ASSAY OF HIV-1 ENVELOPE GLYCOPROTEIN-MEDIATED
MEMBRANE FUSION, AND KITS FOR PRACTICING SAME

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Sir:

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OCTOBER 12, 2005 OFFICE ACTION,
AND PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

This Amendment is submitted in response to the October 12, 2005 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the October 12, 2005 Office Action was originally due January 12, 2006. Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) and 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1) for a one-month extension of time. The fee for a one-month extension of time for a small entity is sixty dollars (\$60.00) and a check for that amount is enclosed. With a one-month extension of time, a response to the October 12, 2005 Office Action is due February 12, 2006. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification appear on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.